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SUBJECT: KENYA-UGANDA TALKS

REF: NAIROBI 8087

1. FOREIGN MINISTER WAIYAKI CONFIRMED TO AMBASSADOR AUGUST 3 THAT UGANDAN DELEGATION IS EXPECTED IN NAIROBI ON AUGUST 4 TO DISCUSS NORMALIZATION OF RELATIONS. WAIYAKI EXPLAINED THAT INITIATIVE FOR DIRECT TALKS HAD COME FROM UGANDA BEFORE OAU BECAME INVOLVED, BUT GOU THEN HAD POSTPONED OPENING OF TALKS WHILE UGANDAN EMISSARIES VISITED VARIOUS MIDDLE EAST AND AFRICAN COUNTRIES, APPARENTLY SEEKING WAYS TO RELIEVE VULNERABILITY TO KENYAN "BLOCKADE" OF TRANSIT GOODS.

2. WAIYAKI SAID KENYA HAD REJECTED PROPOSAL THAT TANZANIA ATTEND TALKS AS OBSERVER. KENYA BELIEVED AMIN HAD PROPOSED INCLUSION OF TANZANIA MERELY TO  
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PLEASE NYERERE, SINCE UGANDA WAS NOW ATTEMPTING TO

GAIN HIS COOPERATION FOR MOVING PETROLEUM THROUGH TANZANIA TO UGANDA. EXCEPT FOR THIS, RELATIONS BETWEEN GOU AND GOT WERE NOT GOOD, AND THUS THERE WAS NO ADVANTAGE TO TANZANIAN PARTICIPATION.

3. ALTHOUGH WAIYAKI DID NOT INDICATE LEVEL AT WHICH TALKS WOULD BE HELD, MFA PERMSEC KIBINGE INDICATED HE HAD BEEN ATTEMPTING TO FINALIZE DETAILS BY PHONE WITH UGANDAN COUNTERPART OR WITH UGANDAN FOREIGN MINISTER JUMA ORIS. WHEN AMBASSADOR ASKED WHETHER AMIN MIGHT BE COMING, WAIYAKI REACTED WITH MOCK HORROR, "OH, NO, WE DON'T WANT HIM."

4. WAIYAKI DECLINED TO SPECULATE ON OUTCOME OF TALKS, SAYING KENYANS WOULD HAVE TO SEE HOW UGANDA RESPONDS TO SEVEN POINTS OUTLINED IN GOK STATEMENT LAST WEEK. HE ALLUDED TO AUGUST 3 NAIROBI PRESS REPORTS THAT KENYANS IN UGANDA ARE NOW BEING ATTACKED BY UGANDAN CIVILIANS, MEMBERS OF AMIN'S KAKWA TRIBE. ALTHOUGH HE COULD NOT CONFIRM THESE REPORTS, HE STATED EMPHATICALLY THAT GOK STILL CONCERNED ABOUT MISTREATMENT OF KENYANS, AND THE SITUATION WAS "STILL BAD."

5. WAIYAKI ADDED THAT DURING HIS WEEKEND VISIT TO ETHIOPIA, HE HAD BRIEFED ETHIOPIANS ON UGANDAN THREATS AND HAD RESPONDED TO THEIR QUESTIONS ABOUT ISRAELI RAID. TEFERI BANTE HAD ENDORSED DIRECT TALKS BETWEEN KENYA AND UGANDA, BUT HAD OFFERED TO PARTICIPATE AS MEDIATOR IF BOTH PARTIES DESIRED. WAIYAKI INDICATED THAT THERE HAD BEEN NO FURTHER DISCUSSION IN DEPTH OF UGANDA PROBLEM DURING ETHIOPIA TALKS.  
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